

Subj: **Question about Colonial Currency**  
Date: 8/2/2013 2:26:40 P.M. Central Daylight Time  
From: [REDACTED]  
To: [REDACTED]  
Hi Eric,

I am attaching a list of Colonial New Jersey Currency research I have been doing for a number of years. The notes are only the New Jersey State issues from 1776 to 1786. I have tried to create a census of each series (for the March 25th, 1776 issue I only keep track of the Hart signed notes) by keeping track of the serial numbers and the signatures of each note. For some notes the serial numbers or signatures are not completely visible. I also keep track of the order of the signatures on the notes when possible this makes it easier to read the serial number because it appears that the first signer is also the person who inscribed the serial number.

I am hoping you can supply information on Notes in your collection for my database.

I also think this would be a good information tool for those collecting colonial currency, to that end, is it possible for the next update of your Colonial Currency book to include some of this information. I think at least the lowest and highest serial numbers of each issue could be included. If you like the idea maybe C-4 and EAC could ask their members to help do this for the other issues.

Hope to hear from you about this project.

By the way I always expect Eric P. Newman to be around to update his wonderful Colonial Currency book, because you have been all my life. I wish I lived closer to St. Louis, if I did I am sure I would have spent much time at your Museum.

Sincerely,

P. Scott Rubin

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**Registry of New Jersey Colonial notes dated 1786****One Shilling (1786)**

Serial #	Condition	Signers
4369	Good	M.Ewing, VanCleve
49163	Fine(15)	B.Smith, J.Ewing
20982	Fine Conserved	M.Ewing, VanCleve
20989	Fine impaired	M.Ewing, VanCleve
29032	VF(25) multiple repairs	Ewing, B. Smith
30258	Very Fine(25)	Ewing, B. Smith
42817	Fair-Good	Ewing, ?
49163	Very Fine(25) EPQ	B.Smith, J.Ewing
71549	_____	M.Ewing, VanCleve

**Three Shillings (1786)**

Serial #	Condition	Signers
1491(?)	Very Good(8)	Ewing (?)
1671	Fine	(?), VanCleve
6256	About Good	B.Smith, M.Ewing
8867	Fine(15)	J.Ewing, B.Smith
14811	Fine(12) Repaired	M.Ewing, VanCleve
14812	Fine(12) Repaired	M.Ewing, VanCleve
15718	Very Good-Good	J.Ewing, B.Smith
17805	ANS	B.Smith, J.Ewing
19972	Fine(12) Net	B.Smith, J.Ewing
23439	Fine(12) Net	M.Ewing, VanCleve
2410(?8)3	Fine(12)	M.Ewing, VanCleve
24183	Fine	M.Ewing, VanCleve
24188(?)	Fine	M.Ewing, VanCleve
24403	Good-Very Good	M.Ewing, VanCleve
24404	Very Good impaired	M.Ewing, VanCleve
27845(?)	Very Good Stains	J.Ewing, B.Smith
28705	Fine+	J.Ewing, B.Smith
29275(3?)	Very Good(10) Net	J.Ewing, B.Smith
35088	Fine	M.Ewing, VanCleve
35398	Very Fine+	Vancleve, M.Ewing
83439	Fine(12) Net repairs	M.Ewing, VanCleve

called 23439 should really be 63439

**Six Shillings - Plate A (1786)**

Serial #	Condition	Signers
29932	Fine+	M.Ewing, VanCleve

**Six Shillings - No Plate (1786)**

Serial #	Condition	Signers
5961	Very Good(10)	M.Ewing, VanCleve
5966	Very Good(10)	M.Ewing, VanCleve
10225	Fine(12) Net	M.Ewing, VanCleve
14481	Good-Very Good	M.Ewing, VanCleve
15170	Very Fine(25) Net	J.Ewing, B.Smith
20918(?)	Fine	J.Ewing, B.Smith
24401	Fine Conserved	M.Ewing, VanCleve
91700	Choice Very Fine	M.Ewing, VanCleve



**Twelve Shillings (1786)**

Serial #	Condition	Signers	
14428	Apparent Very Fine(25)	J.Ewing,B.Smith	171428 or 17428 or 14428
15654	Very Fine	J.Ewing,B.Smith	
16236	Very Good	M.Ewing, VanCleve	
31786	About Fine	J.Ewing,B.Smith	
96235	Fine(12)	M.Ewing, VanCleve	

**Fifteen Shillings (1786)**

Serial #	Condition	Signers
2844	About Ex. Fine	M.Smith, VanCleve
3825	About Very Fine	J.Ewing,B.Smith
7120	Very Good	J.Ewing,B.Smith
10657	About Very Fine	M.Smith, VanCleve
15170	Very Good-Fine	J.Ewing,B.Smith

**Thirty Shillings (1786)**

Serial #	Condition	Signers
8540	Fine+	Ewing,B.Smith

**Three Pounds (1786)**

Serial #	Condition	Signers
3208	Very Fine	M.Ewing, VanCleve
3854	Very Good	M.Ewing, VanCleve

**Six Pounds (1786)**

Serial #	Condition	Signers
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ERIC P. NEWMAN NUMISMATIC EDUCATION SOCIETY

6450 Cecil Avenue, St. Louis, Missouri 63105

September 18, 2013

Mr. P. Scott Rubin

Re: N.J. 1783 Issue

Dear Scott:

We have located items relative to your request, having searched our archives.

The Harley Freeman large loose leaf notebook is mostly typewritten but has many entries in pencil. We have searched it thoroughly. We enclose copies of three pertinent pages.

We enclose a copy of a page of the first EPMOA with the entries showing what we had then. We still believe we have the three mentioned items (in our bank vaults) and think they may be from the Green Estate. We will send other photocopies if you need them. We have the originals.

You may have much of this information already. We know Stuart Levine furnished the pertinent information for the 5<sup>th</sup> edition of EPMOA.

If you have any questions or need us to look further, please let us know.

It's a please to try to be of help. Keep researching and collecting.

Eric P. Newman Numismatic Education Society

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Freeman

Key to owners of bills of record.

- # 1 Henry Chapman. His number 1 collection was purchased by Fred C.C. Boyd and as yet is intact. His number 2 collection was purchased by Jake Spiro, #10, and later sold to American Antiquarian Society, # 33.
- 2 Joshua Cohen, now in the Edison Institute, Dearborn, Mich, sometimes referred to as the Ford Museum.
- 3 T. James Clarke, Jamestown, N.Y. purchased by Fred Boyd.
- 4 Otto C. Budde, Cleveland Heights, Ohio
- 5 John M. Richardson, Stratford, Conn, sold at auction by Ragin.
- 6 Morgan Stafford, Newtonville (Boston), Mass. purchased by H.L.F.
- 7 Samuel H. McVitty, West Salem, Va. I have no idea what disposition was made of this collection after McVitty died.
- 8 Wayte Raymond, this collection was purchased by Fred Boyd.
- 9 D.C. Wismer, Hatfield, Pa. This collection was purchased by Spiro.
- 10 Jake Spiro, His collection was sold to American Antiquarian Society, shortly before his death.
- 20 American Numismatic Society, New York, N.Y.
- 21 Massachusetts Historical Society, Boston, Mass.
- 22 New York Public Library, New York, N.Y.
- 23 New York Historical Society, New York, N.Y.
- 24 Pennsylvania Historical Society, Philadelphia, Pa.
- 25 Western Reserve Historical Society, Cleveland, Ohio.
- 26 Connecticut Historical Society, Hartford, Conn.
- 27 Maryland Historical Society, Baltimore, Md.
- 28 Essex Institute, Salem, Mass.
- 29 Connecticut State Library, New Haven, Conn.
- 30 Boston Public Library, Boston, Mass.
- 31 South Carolina Historical Society, Charleston, S.C.
- 32 Buffalo Historical Society, Buffalo, N.Y.
- 33 American Antiquarian Society, ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~ Worcester, Mass.

Brady

My own collection includes that formed by Dr. Brady, of Olka, which I purchased in 1929, the O.T. Mason collection which I purchased in Jan. 1937, that of Morgan H. Stafford, which I purchased in June, 1941, that of a Mr. Means, which I purchased in March 1933, just at the time of the bank closings.

The Boston Public Library collection was formed by Judge Mellon Chamberlin.

The greater part of the New York Public Library collection was formed from the Haines collection, which was sold at auction.

There are also sizable collections at Harvard University and in the Lennox Library, which I have not examined. Also at many of the other historical societies and museums, some of these listings are the results of Dr. Joseph Fields efforts when he wrote the article which appeared in Manuscripts and later in the Numismatist, titled, "For the Love of Money" Most of this information was compiled by myself.

In using the Key, when a number, such as # 1, is placed in the line reserved for "Notes" it means that that collector had the issue complete.



Freeman  
COLONY New Jersey  
DATE ISSUED Dec. 20, 1783  
AMOUNT ISSUED £ 31,259 5s ✓  
REFERENCES AND AUTHORITIES Henry Philipps, Jr.

PLACE ISSUED Trenton  
DATE AUTHORIZED Dec 20, 1783 Ch XXI  
AMOUNT DESTROYED Dated 1784 on back

NOTES AND DESCRIPTION Same as last issue with some denomination changes.  
Entire issue recalled within one year. Notes are quite scarce.

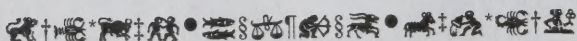
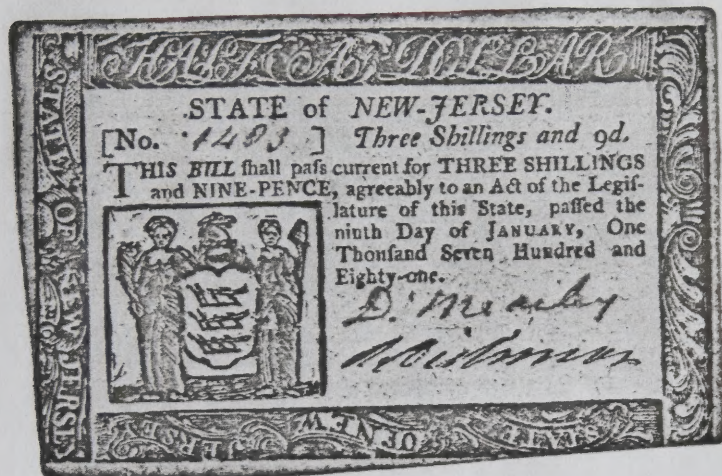
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174	3s 9d	"	---	Pr	May 38	Chapman	4s	1- 24-33
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176	7s 6d	"						
177	12s	"	3847	G	May 38	Chapman	3s	1- 23
178	15s	3,975						
179	30s	3,977						1
180	£ 3	3,000						
181	£ 6	1,200						
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AUTHORIZED AND KNOWN SIGNERS To be signed by the treasurer and auditor of the state.

James Ewing ✓

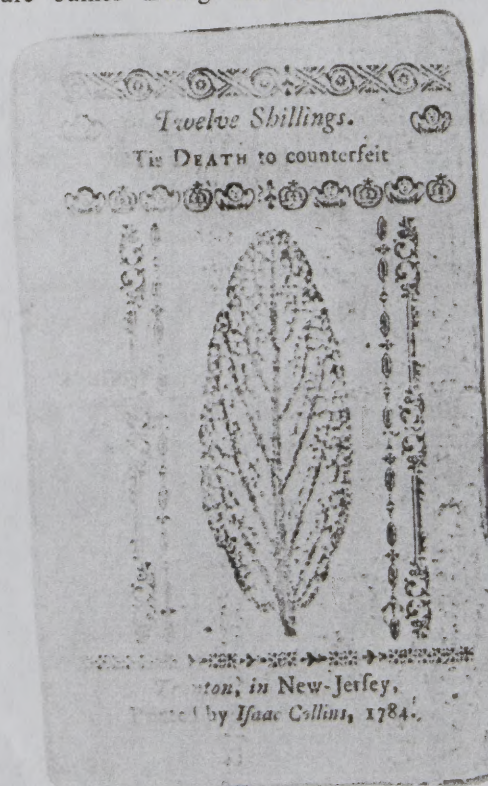
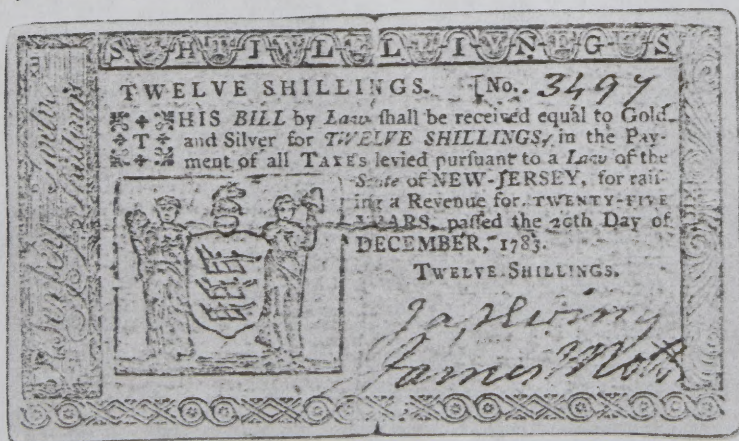
James Mott ✓





1784 (December 20, 1783 Act)

£31,259 5s in Tax Notes approved by Dec. 20, 1783 Act. State seal on face. Date and nature print of sage leaf on back. Stem opposite left side of face as in previous issue. Recalled within one year. Printed by Isaac Collins on paper watermarked NEW JERSEY. Signers are James Ewing and James Mott.



#432 p	2s6d	[3976]
p	3s9d (\$1/2)	[3976]
	5s	[3976]
	7s6d (\$1)	Mosquitoes on back. [3976]
#3547 p	12s	[3976]
	15s	[3975]
	30s	[3977]
	£3	[3000]
	£6	[1200]



Items probably from Edward Green Estate